

BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

This is intended to be a business impact estimate in accordance with Section 125.66(3), Florida Statutes concerning the enactment of a proposed ordinance. Concerning such proposed ordinance, the following information is given:

1. TITLE OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 2024-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL MAGISTRATES WITH THE AUTHORITY TO HOLD HEARINGS AND ASSESS FINES AGAINST VIOLATORS OF THE CODES AND ORDINANCE IN FORCE IN THE COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 162.01-162.13, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE “LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD ACT”; PROVIDING FOR INTENT; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE SELECTION, QUALIFICATIONS, TERMINATION AND COMPENSATION OF SPECIAL MAGISTRATES; PROVIDING FOR THE POWERS AND JURISDICTION OF SPECIAL MAGISTRATES; PROVIDING FOR A CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY BEFORE THE SPECIAL MAGISTRATE; PROVIDING FOR CODE INSPECTORS AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF HEARINGS; PROVIDING THE POWER TO SUBPOENA; ESTABLISHING FINES, COSTS OF REPAIR AND LIENS; PROVIDING FOR THE DURATION OF THE LIEN; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF FINAL ORDERS; PROVIDING THE RIGHT TO APPEAL; PROVIDING THE PROCEDURES FOR NOTICE; PROVIDING THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE ARE SUPPLEMENTARY TO OTHER REMEDIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSITION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

2. SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE

The proposed ordinance reenacts and combines the County’s past code enforcement ordinances with revisions. Prior ordinances provided for the County to use a Code Enforcement Board for code enforcement within the County. The proposed ordinance provides for the use of special magistrates for code enforcement within the County.

The public purpose to be served by the proposed ordinance is serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the County.

3. ESTIMATE OF THE DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ON PRIVATE, FOR-PROFIT BUSINESSES IN THE COUNTY:

a. An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted.

None.

b. Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible.

None.

c. An estimate of the County's regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs.

None. (The County presently has code enforcement and the proposed ordinance is not anticipated to increase the budget for this department.)

4. A GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF BUSINESSES LIKELY TO BE IMPACTED BY THE ORDINANCE:

None.

5. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THE BOARD DETERMINES MAY BE USEFUL:

None.

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